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Assistant Commissioner for Patents **B**ox Patent Application **■W**ashington, D.C. 20231

Docket No.: SIL-0007-3-DIV Inventors: CRUSE ET AL.

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER <u>37 CFR 1.53(b)</u>

Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing are:

The patent application of:

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Title "BLOCKED MERCAPTOSILANE COUPLING AGENTS FOR FILLED RUBBERS"

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Type of Application

- (a) New Application
- (b) [] Continuation [XX] Divisional [] Continuation-in-part of U. S. Application Serial No. 09/284,841, filed April 21. 1999 which is a 371 of PCT/US98/17391, August 21, 1998, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/056,566, filed August 21, 1997.
- (c) Prior Art Unit: 1713; Prior Examiner: K. EGWIM.
- (d) The prior application is assigned of record to WITCO CORPORATION, a corporation of the State of Delaware, at Reel #009956, Frame #0363 recorded May 10, 1999.
- () Sheets of Formal Drawings.
- (X)Oath Declaration (X) copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (for continuation/divisional application).
- 5. (a) () Incorporation by reference - the entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4 above, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
 - (b) () Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --- "This application is a Division of application Serial No....."
- 6. () An assignment of the invention to Witco Corporation, cover sheet.
- 7. (X) Power of Attorney
- (X) Information Disclosure Statement/PTO 1449
- 9. () Response-preliminary amendment etc.

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